

AN ACT

relating to the waiver of certain fees for an assumed name certificate or a statement of abandonment of use of an assumed name filed by a military veteran.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 71.155, Business & Commerce Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), the [The] county clerk shall collect a fee of:

(1) \$2 for filing each certificate or statement required or permitted to be filed under this chapter; and

(2) 50 cents for each name to be indexed.

(a-1) The county clerk may waive all fees under Subsection (a) for a registrant who is a military veteran. In this subsection, "military veteran" has the meaning assigned by Section 55.001, Occupations Code.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1646 was passed by the House on April 27, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 1, 3 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1646 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor